

Summer Stains

Grass stains on clothing should be removed as soon as possible. Rub them thoroughly with petrol, hang in the sunshine for as long as possible, then wash in warm, soapy water. Tar and grease can be removed from light materials with eucalyptus oil, but it may have to be applied two or three times before the stain can be eradicated. If the eucalyptus is not effective, butter, followed by petrol, should be tried. Fresh fruit stains should be rinsed in water, then sponged with diluted peroxide of hydrogen, which should then be thoroughly washed out again. Or glycerine can be applied instead. If stains made by stewed fruit have not yet dried, they should immediately be saturated with powdered starch, which will absorb most, if not all, of them. If they do not disappear, try soaking them in cold water for some time, then stretch the garment over a basin and pour boiling water through it. Cream stains should first be soaked in cold water, then washed in the ordinary way. Badly stained tennis socks should be soaked in warm water and bicarbonate of soda; before soaking them apply a slice of lemon, dipped in salt, to the stains.